

Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook May 19 - 25, 2016

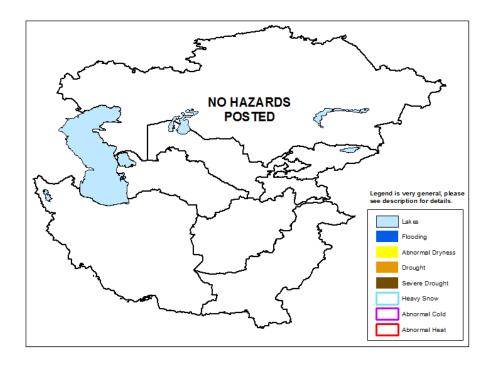
Temperatures:

Above-normal temperatures (1 to 6 degrees C) persisted across Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan during the second week of May, while northeast Kazakhstan experienced slightly below-normal temperatures. The hottest temperatures were observed across western Afghanistan and Turkmenistan where maximum temperatures were in the upper 30s to around 40 degrees C. Temperatures are expected to average near to above-normal during the next week.

Precipitation

During the second week of May, locally heavy rain, more than 50 mm, fell across parts of Afghanistan, southern Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan. The CPC unified gauge analysis indicates that most areas across Central Asia have experienced near or above-normal precipitation during the past 30 days.

Although locally heavy rain (more than 25 mm) may affect Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan during the next week, the risk of flooding is lower than previous weeks. Rainfall amounts across Afghanistan are expected to be generally less than 25 mm. The most widespread rainfall (10 to 25 mm, or more) is forecast across western Kazakhstan.



Note: The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week), and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts or indicate current or projected food security conditions.